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MOUNTAIN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL 2135 MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD, STAFFORD, VA 22556

Parent/Guardian Welcome Letter 2023-2024

Dear Parent/Guardian.

Welcome to the Mountain View High School (MVHS) Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (MCJROTC) program. We are looking forward to a great year. Individual cadet grades are contingent upon performance in the following areas: academics, military proficiency skills, leadership, and summative assessments as outlined in the course syllabus. Although not required, cadets are encouraged to participate in many extracurricular activities: Drill, Color Guard, CyberPatriot, Raider Challenge, and Air Rifle Marksmanship Teams. Additional events include community service, fundraisers, and orientation trips. The MCJROTC educational experience has a greater impact on cadets when they actively participate in unit activities. In order for the year to get off to a good start, we need your help with the following items:

- 1. Please read and sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and MCJROTC Program Syllabus with your cadet and return them along with a current/completed VHSL Athletic Participation/Parental Consent/Physical Examination Form in class **no later than Friday, 11 August 2023.** If participating in New Cadet Orientation Training from 24-27 July, the VHSL physical must be turned in on the first day or you will not be able to participate. All of these documents will be kept in the cadet's MCJROTC file for the entire year. Make a copy of this physical to turn into the athletic office if you plan to participate in athletics at MVHS.
- 2. There is a \$100.00 county-wide fee for JROTC programs. This fee defrays the cost of unit shirts, activities, and uniform maintenance. This fee may be paid in class using cash or check no later than Friday, 18 August 2023. You may also use a credit card through the MVHS website when the system is activated by the county: parents—online student payment portal—High School—MVHS—MCJROTC (expect a processing fee).
- 3. We expect all cadets to meet unit-grooming standards (haircuts, buns, shaves, nails, etc.) **by Wednesday, 16 August 2023** for the first uniform day.
- 4. For classroom instruction, cadets will need pencil/pen, highlighter, and a two-inch three ring binder with a small amount of loose-leaf paper. For Physical Training (PT) cadets will need a pair of running shoes, white or black socks, and a water bottle for hydration.
- 5. All of the requirements outlined above are expected to be met by the required due dates that purposely occur prior to the course drop date. Failure to comply may result in your student being dropped from the program. Please pay particular attention to number 3, grooming standards.

We are looking forward to teaming with you to make each cadet's experience in MCJROTC a rewarding one. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the MCJROTC instructional staff. Please routinely stop by our website https://bit.ly/2LJsfUx to see responses to frequently asked questions, dates of upcoming events, find program documents (cadet handbook, syllabus and MOU), photos, and more.

Semper Fidelis,

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